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FOLLOWING IS EXCERPT FROM OUR DAILY SUMMARY NO. 132

DATED JULY 13, 1976

THE TC CONCLUDED ITS 43RD SESSION JULY 13, AFTER ADOPTING
REPORT ON CONDITIONS IN TTPI PREPARED BY THE DRAFTING COMMITTEE

(T/L.1201) AND REPORT TO THE SECURITY COUNCIL (T/L.

1204), BOTH BY VOTE OF 3(US, UK, FRANCE)-1(USSR)-0.

THE RIGHT OF THE PEOPLE OF TTPI TO SELF-DETERMINATION,

INCLUDING THE RIGHT TO INDEPENDENCE, WAS REAFFIRMED,

AND THE CONVICTION THAT THE POLITICAL UNITY OF THE CAROLINE

AND MARSHALL ISLANDS SHOULD BE MAINTAINED WAS AFFIRMED.

THE TC RECOGNIZED THAT THE PEOPLE OF NORTHERN MARIANA

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ISLANDS "IN THE FREE EXERCISE OF THEIR RIGHT OF

SELF-DETERMINATION" BY A LARGE MAJORITY, HAD APPROVED A COVENANT TO ESTABLISH A COMMONWEALTH IN POLITICAL UNION WITH THE U.S. TO BE INCLUDED IN THE REPORT TO THE SC IS A SECRETARIAT WORKING PAPER, AS AMENDED, SUMMARIZING RECENT DEVELOPMENTS IN THE TERRITORY. BY VOTE OF 2-1(USSR)-1(US), THE TC APPROVED A RESOLUTION NOTING THE REPORT OF THE UN VISITING MISSION WHICH OBSERVED THE MARIANAS PLEBISCITE, AS AMENDED TO INCLUDE A SECOND OPERATIVE PARAGRAPH EXPRESSING SATISFACTION WITH THE WORK ACCOMPLISHED ON THE TC'S BEHALF BY THE MISSION. RESOLUTION CONCERNING THE UN VISITING MISSION IN MARCH/APRIL THIS YEAR WAS ADOPTED 2-0-2(USSR, US). IN EXPLAINING U.S. ABSTENTION, AMB SHERER NOTED IT WAS CUSTOMARY FOR THE ADMINISTERING AUTHORITY TO ABSTAIN ON CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS WHICH WERE ADDRESSED TO IT, BUT HE ASSURED THE TC THE USG WOULD GIVE THOSE MATTERS FULL CONSIDERATION. THE TC TOOK NOTE OF A LETTER FROM THE UNDER SECRETARY GENERAL FOR POLITICAL AND GA AFFAIRS, WHO INDICATED THAT THE ITEM ENTITLED "REPORT OF THE TC" WOULD BE DELETED FROM THE GA'S PROVISIONAL AGENDA, AND THE TC ALSO TOOK NOTE OF THE SOVIET RESERVATIONS ON THIS SUBJECT. THE SECRETARY GENERAL'S REPORT ON CREDENTIALS WAS NOTED.

KOVALENKO (USSR) VOTED AGAINST THE DRAFTING COMMITTEE'S REPORT BECAUSE IT CONTAINED REFERENCES TO THE MARIANAS PLEBISCITE. HIS DEL FELT THE ACTIVITIES OF THE ADMINISTERING AUTHORITY CONTRADICTED THE INTERESTS OF THE PEOPLES OF THE ISLANDS AND THE WISHES OF THE GA AND THE TC, AND OPPOSED ANY POLITICAL ALLIANCE BETWEEN THE ISLANDS AND THE U.S. HE VOTED AGAINST THE VISITING MISSION REPORT ON THE MARIANAS PLEBISCITE BECAUSE IT WAS CONNECTED WITH DISMEMBERMENT OF THE TERRITORY. HE ABSTAINED ON THE 1976 VISITING MISSION REPORT BECAUSE IT CONTRADICTED SOME OF THE POSITIONS TAKEN EARLIER BY THE TC. HE VOTED AGAINST THE REPORT TO THE SC FOR REASONS ALREADY EXPLAINED RELATING TO THE NEED TO RETAIN AND PRESERVE THE TERRITORIAL INTEGRITY OF THE TERRITORY. HE DID NOT AGREE WITH THE TC'S "REFUSAL" TO COOPERATE WITH THE GA, THE COMMITTEE OF 24 OR THE COMMITTEE ON ELIMINATION OF RACIAL DISCRIMINATION.

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NOTE: IN USUN'S SUMMARY OF THE JULY 9 TC MEETING (SUMMARY NO. 129, OURTEL 2816), IN NEXT TO THE LAST PARAGRAPH, PLEASE CHANGE ACTING HIGH COMMISSIONER COLEMAN'S REFERENCE TO ENEWETOK TO READ: ACTING HIGH COMMISSIONER COLEMAN STATED THAT THE U.S. CONGRESS APPROVED ON JULY 2 THE APPROPRIATION FOR THE CLEAN-UP OF ENEWETOK ATOLL. HE SAID A DECISION ON FUNDING FOR THE AERIAL RADIOLOGICAL SURVEY FOR BIKINI

WAS EXPECTED WITHIN A FEW DAYS.
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